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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2749

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and  
Military Affairs and Energy and Environment, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 2749 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTEWATER,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow the use of  
individual wastewater systems as an on-site means of wastewater  
disposal in lieu of county operated wastewater treatment works,  
regardless of proximity to a county wastewater treatment system.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure  
from the General Contractors Association of Hawaii, Pūlama Lānaʻi,  
Pae ʻĀina Communications, Hana Ranch; and three individuals. Your  
Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from  
the Department of Health, Department of Environmental Services of  
the City and County of Honolulu, County of Hawaii Department of  
Environmental Management, County of Maui Department of  
Environmental Management, and three individuals.

Your Committees find that wastewater treatment systems are  
not always environmentally, geographically, or economically  
feasible for all communities or households. Furthermore, there  
are communities that are confronted with a water shortage issue.  
This measure will enable these communities and households to  
conserve water, improve water quality, enrich soil, and provide an  
appropriate alternative to county wastewater treatment systems.

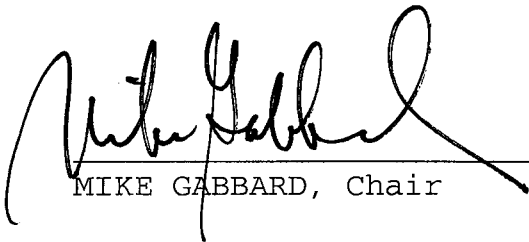



Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring counties to authorize the installation and use of composting toilets in areas that are inaccessible to municipal wastewater systems, rather than authorize the use of individual wastewater treatment systems in lieu of wastewater treatment works; and
- (2) Defining "composting toilet" as a toilet that uses no water or very little water and uses natural processes to treat waste.

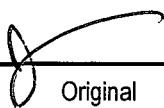
As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Energy and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2749, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2749, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs and Energy and  
Environment,

  
MIKE GABBARD, Chair  
WILL ESPERO, Chair

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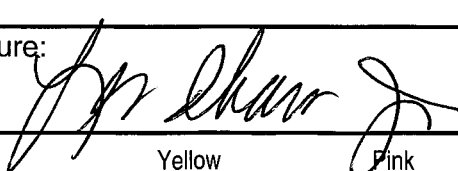
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |   |   |     |         |
| The Recommendation is:<br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended<br/>2312         </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments<br/>2311         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold<br/>2310         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit<br/>2313         </div> </div> |   |   |     |         |
| Members  | Aye   | Aye (WR)  | Nay | Excused |
| ESPERO, Will (C)   | ✓   |   |     |         |
| BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)   |   |   |     | ✓       |
| GALUTERIA, Brickwood   | ✓   |   |     |         |
| GREEN, M.D., Josh  |   |   |     | ✓       |
| SLOM, Sam  | ✓   |   |     |         |
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| Chair's or Designee's Signature:<br><div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>   |   |   |     |         |
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| Members   | Aye   | Aye (WR)  | Nay | Excused |
| GABBARD, Mike (C)   | ✓   |   |     |         |
| RUDERMAN, Russell E. (VC)   |   |   |     | ✓       |
| CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne   |   |   |     | ✓       |
| IHARA, Jr., Les   | ✓   |   |     |         |
| SLOM, Sam   | ✓   |   |     |         |
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